(b) whether deployment of para military personnel, a large number of tern from South, at border and remote areas in the North-East over long mures build up stress and frustration; and

(c) whether Government would initiate moves to get senior officers ivolved in regular interface with their juniors as also their families to apprise lemselves of the family problems of the jawans?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS SHRI SHRIPRAKASH JAISWAL): (a) No, Sir,.

(b) Deployment in hard areas is one of the reasons causing stress, here is a system of rotation of troops from hard to soft areas for the personnel of Central Police Forces (CPFs) to take care of this factor.

(c) CPFs have taken various measures including regular interaction of enior officers with their subordinates and their families so as to help edressal of their grievances and solution of personal problems.

Relief to families affected by Tsunami in Andaman

838. SHRI SU. THIRUNAVUKKARASAR: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state how many families living in Andaman District affected by earthquake and Tsunami Tidal wave occurred on 26th December, '004 paid Rs. 3000/-per family as temporary relief for affected families sanctioned vide order No. 631 dated 19th February, 2005 and Rs. 10,000/-per family as Gratuitous relief for loss to house hold articles?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS SHRI S. REGUPATHY): (a) A total of 3139 families, which were affected due to earthquake and Tsunami on 26th December, 2004, were given Rs. 10,000/-as relief for household damages and Rs. 3000/-as temporary relief in Andaman District.

ISI network

†839. SHRI PYARELAL KHANDELWAL: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are aware of the fact that the network of ISI has spread in the North India;

(b) whether it is also a fact that its network spread because of industry, business, contractors and security forces; and

(c) if so, the action taken by Government in this regard?

†Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI SHRIPRAKASH JAISWAL): (a) Available inputs suggest continued anti-India activities by the Pak Intelligence Agencies particularly ISI. Northern states like Jammu & Kashmir, Delhi, Punjab, Rajasthan and Uttar Pradesh are relatively more affected by Pak ISI activities.

(b) No such reports have come to the notice of the Government.

(c) Does not arise in view of (b) above.

Potential of wind power energy

840. SHRI T.T.V. DHINAKARAN: Will the Minister of NON-CONVENTIONAL ENERGY SOURCES be pleased to state:

(a) the total/estimated potential of wind power energy in the country;

(b) the total exploitable potential of wind power estimated so far;

(c) the installed capacity of wind power in the country; and

(d) the steps taken to exploit more potential of wind power?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF NON-CONVENTIONAL ENERGY SOURCES (SHRI VILAS MUTTEMWAR): (a) The gross wind power potential in the country has been estimated at over 45,000 M W. Major part of the potential, however, lies in low wind regimes having wind power density of 200—300 Watt per square metre.

(b) The exploitable potential, which is limited by availability of grid capacity, is presently about 15,000 MW.

(c) A total wind power capacity of 4227MW has been installed in the country so far.

(d) Grid interactive wind power projects are set up commercially with private sector investment. The steps taken by the Government to promote setting up of wind power projects include concessional import duty for wind electricity generator sub-systems, excise duty exemption, ten years tax holiday on power projects, benefit of accelerated depreciation and loan from Indian Renewable Energy Development Agency (IREDA) and other financial institutions. Wind resource assessment studies are supported in various states for identifying new areas for deployment of wind power projects. Resource assessment, Testing & Certification and R&D support are being provided by the Centre for Wind Energy Technology (C-WET), Chennai, which is an autonomous institution under the administrative control of this Ministry.